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In re Application of:

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INFORMATION ON AN
INTERCONNECT**

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RESPONSE AFTER FINAL

DEAR SIR:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 24, 2002, please reconsider the above-identified patent application in view of the amendments and remarks presented hereinafter.

A. In the claims:

Please amend the claims to read as follows:

1(Twice Amended). In a system comprising an interconnect and a plurality of modules connected to said interconnect for putting packets of information onto the interconnect, wherein each packet comprises a number of fields containing information including packet routing information, a circuit comprising:

circuitry for receiving at least part of said information;

circuitry for determining if said at least part of said information satisfies one or more conditions; and